The party sped back to the White House.

Officials at the State Department meanwhile had described Huerta's message as "inconclusive." Though the text of Huerta's answer was not made public, other officials described the dectator's attitude as very "obstinate," and indisting on a simultaneous salute. Naval officers said there was no such thing as "a simultaneous salute." Apologies are given in a salute of twenty-one guns fired in intervals of ten seconds, after the completion of which the party offended returns the

That Huerta merely had "suggested" and "inquired" also was revealed, and officials found they had interpreted his previous "inquiries" and "suggestions" as promises.

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When the President reached the White House, Postmaster-General Burieson was waiting. Acting Chairman Shively, of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, arrived a few minutes later. They studied the Hueria message only a few minutes, and were unanimously agreed on a reply, which was drafted and dispatched to Charge O'Shaughnessy. It was couched in strong language, and its tenor was indicated by the public statement is sued from the White House, saying that unless Huerta had "yielded by 6 o'clock Sunday afternoon," the President would lay the situation before Congress.

Congress.

Odicial business was interrupted at the White House, callers being turned away with the statement that "grave business" was being considered.

It was 2 o'clock before the ultimatum to Huerta had been put into cipher and dispatched from Washington. Officials estimated it would be delivered in Mexico City early to-night. Allowing time for its consideration by finerta and his advisers, it was not believed any answer would be ready before inte at night at the earliest, and could not reach here until some time to-morrow.

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Meanwhile aides at the Navy Department went into secret conference, completing plans for the movement of warships and marines. Rear-Admiral Victor Blue, Acting Secretary of the Navy, forwarded to Rear-Admiral Badger, on the flagship Arkansas at the head of the fleet speeding to Mexico, the text of President Wilson's statement, giving Huerta until 6 P. M. on Sunday. It also was forwarded to Rear-Admiral Fletcher at Vera Cruz, who will communicate it to Rear-Admiral Howard, commanding the squadron in Pacific Mexican waters, also was notified.

Marine Regiment Ordered Southward. Marine Regiment Ordered Southward.
The Fourth Marine Regiment, on the Pacific Coast, was ordered southward. The armored cruiser South Dakota, with \$50 marines, was dispatched from Bremerton, Washington, to Mare Island, where the remaining 600 marines will be divided with the collier Jupiter. Then the two craft will steam to San Diego, to await further orders. The two powerful Dreadnoughts Texas and New York, allowing not under orders, are ready to Texas and New York, at New York, although not under orders, are ready to start for Mexico on twelve hours' notice. The Virginia, Georgia, Nebraska and Rhode Island, now at Boston, will be ready by the end of the month. The transport Hancock already has arrived at Tampico with \$00 marines, and the cruisers Des Moines and San Francisco, the gunboat Dolphin, the scout cruiser Chester, the transport incisco, the gunboat Dolphin, the out cruiser Chester, the transport

Do You Suspect Your Kidneys?

If So, Warner's Should Be Taken

Ships under Rear-Admiral Badger to-day were reported off Key West, Fla., and are to arrive on Tuesday. On order frequent indication is general weakness—while other common symptoms are furred tongue, distaste for food, headache and general depression of spirits. When the kidneys fall in their work, from inflammation or Bright's disease, the impurities inevitably return to the blood and that is the beginning of impaired digistion and falling health, with nervous irritability and a dropsical condition. For 37 years Warner's Safe Kidney and Liver Rear-Admiral Badger to-day were reported off Key West, Fla., and are to arrive on Tuesday. On orders from Washington, they could reach Tampico by Monday. It was generally agreed, however, that the force now at Tampico and Vera Cruz is sufficient to carry out any plan of action President Wilson may direct. Should aggressive steps be necessary before the President can get congressional action, there is no question in the President's mind of the right of the executive branch of the government to act. Republican and Democratic leaders say any action taken in an emergency would be promptly backed up by Congress. Remedy has been restoring health to sufferers in all stages of kidney com-plaint, and here's another man who

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At Vera Cruz, Rear-Admiral Fletcher has the battleships Florida and Utah and the transport Prairie, with a large complement of marines. The battle-ships under Rear-Admiral Badger to-

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Numerous Predictions.

While predictions as to what will happen were numerous, there were some officials high in the councils of the administration who believed Huerta would not yield, but would force the United States to land marines or occupy coast towns. With the act of American aggression completed, these officials believe Huerta will attempt to appeal to the parriotism of all factions in Mexico to repel the invader Some observers foresee in such a move an embarrassing situation for the Constitutional chief, which they think might produce dissension, and a possible disinterration of the rebel forces. Though showing their anxiety about the situation, high officials settled down to wait for Huerta's answer with resolute calm. Both President Wilson and Secretary Bryan attended: resolute calm. Both President Wilson and Secretary Bryan attended the wedding late to-day of Chairman Flood, of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, and Miss Anna V. Portner. Secretary Daniels in Claydo Co.

the President is at White Sulphur Springs, Secretary Bryan will keep him constantly informed of develop-

Mr. Bryan again has had to defer his trip to Florida, and, though he coughed heavily and still showed the effects of heavily and still showed the effects of his siege of grippe, he was kept busy every minute of the day. Among his callers was Ambassador Spring-Rice, of Great Britain. Other ministers dropped in, too, and it is understood they were acquainted with latest developments in the Mexican situation. Word that a message was on its way from Mexico City to the State Department here was received by Secretary Bryan shorily before midnight. Owing to the difficulty in telegraphic transmissions from Mexico City, it was uncertain when the message would arrive.

Secretary Bryan had no intimation of the contents of the message, but kept State Department officials on duty during the night to receive and de-cipher it. As soon as it has been translated, it will be transmitted to President Wilson, who will receive it on his arrival at White Sulphur Springs to-morrow morning.

Comment of London Papers.

London, April 18.—Although London newspaper editorials are mainly devoted to the revelations of the Ulster Unionist council concerning the alleged coercive measures and contemplated military operations against Ulster, many of the leading journals comment on the latest aspect of the Mexican situation.

The Westminster Gazette says:
"Relating to the Mexican situation—it is grave. We can understand the difficulties of Huerta's situation. The acceptance of the United States, demand may mean the end of his power with his own people. But nothing can be gained by his present policy, and we expect to see the original understanding regarding the salute carried out."

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The Observer says: "Wilson is bound to exact reparation for the outrage committed on the American marines, iluerta is playing for a stake that he is too wise to sacrifice through sheer obstinacy. If the United States should after all have to resort to millitary intervention it will be the most arduous undertaking of that kind that the country has ever engaged in. It would require 250,000 men and a campaign of which three years is probably an underestimate. It may be that there will be no road in the end but American war subjugation, but that means the payment of such a frightfully heavy price that no one will criticize the government at Washington for considering every possible expedient before accepting force as inevitable." xpedient before acception of the Weekly Dispatch will say to-

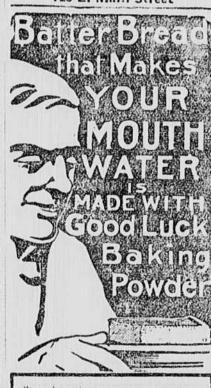
"Wilson has now thrown the gauntlet at Huerta by refusing to have any
more parley. Huerta must fire the
salute or the seaports of Mexico will
be blockaded forthwith, which is
tantamount to a declaration of war"
To-morrow's issue of the People will
say:

"Unless Huerta yields an American-Mexican war seems absolutely inevi-table. It may begin any moment now, for Wilson, having abandoned the futile policy of 'wait and see,' means business at last, and has issued the ultimatum." New York, April 18.—The United States has ample justification for blockading the Mexican ports and fanding troops according to Professor E. C. Stowell lecturer on international law at Columbia University, and temporary successor to John Bassett

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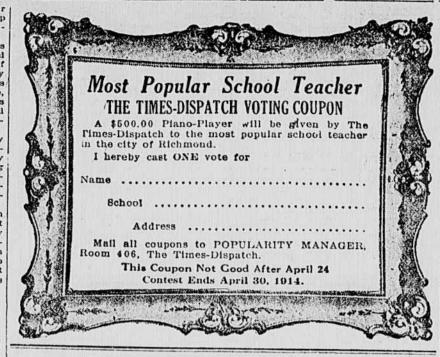
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not 1,000 votes to their credit. As soon as 1,000 or more votes are registered these names will be published.

Charges Are Baseless

[Special to The Times-Disputch.] New York, April 18.—Answering messages of inquiry from numerous newspapers of the United States, President Huerta, of Mexico, has sent out the following:

"Mexico City, Mex., April 18, 1914,
"As a reply to your valued message, I will hereby state that the charges made against the govern-ment of the republic are entirely baseless, as the broad investigation now in progress will make clear in this connection Regarding the approach of the American fleet to Mexican waters, that will not modify the honest and serene policy of the government of this republic, (Signed) "V. HUERTA."

Moore, former counsellor of the State Department.

"The United States is justified in having recourse to any force necessary to secure respect for international rights and dignity. The blockade of Mexican ports or the landing of troops need not necessarily constitute war with Mexico. War is a situation which results from armed conflict between two independent communities. If the United States does not intend to make war, it depends upon Mexico whether she will allow the United States to use the force to protect our rights."

On Way to Mexico.

On Board the U. S. S. Arkansas, by wireless via Jupiter, Fla., April 18.—
The battleships under command of hear-Admiral Badger are proceeding steadily on their way to Mexican waters. Admiral Badger is confident the fleet is prepared for any emergency, but is unwilling to disclose his tentative plans. ency, but is unwilling to disclose his tentative plans.

Rear-Admiral Frank F. Fletcher, in command of the warships at Vera Cruz, has been instructed to meet the Arkansas and other battleships composing the squadron off Tampico on Wednesday, April 22, when it is expected the entire fleet will be assembled. That will mean not less than 20,000 men. If the salute demanded by the United States government is fired by the Mexicans, a gunboat probably will receive it, and then return to the big warships, which will lie seven miles out.

Rebel Victory Reported.

El Paso. Texus, April 18.—News of another rebel victory was received at duarez to-day, when a telegram from Villa, dated Torreon, April 17, and sent to Carranza at Chihuahua, was repeated to officials in Juarez. The telegram read:

"Our forces under command of General Luis Guiterrez, defeated 1,200 Federals at Incienda de Juan Ame. Among the Federal dead were General Enrique Pered a colonel, a lieutenant-colonel, a major and several captains. The retreating Federals were again attacked by a detachment under Major Facundo Nieta, who killed seventy more of the enemy."

For Safety of Foreigners.
Chihushua, Mexico, April 18.—Plans for the safety of foreigners and foreign property in Tampico were agreed on vesterday by commanders of German, British and American vessels at Tampico, in conference with General Luis Caballero, chief of the rebel forces operating against that port. This information was conveyed to General Carranza here to-day.

Two Federals Shot by Sentries. El Paso, Texas, April 18.—Individual infraction of the rules of the prison camp at Fort Bliss since the Tampico incident, culminated last night in oting of two of the Mexican Federal prisoners by sentries.

Jesus Pallares, Federal volunteer,
was shot through the stomach and

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will die. Jesus Zarco, Federal regular, was shot in the thigh. Zarco was caught breaking electric light bulbs, with which the camp is lighted. Pallares was shot while trying to escape.

Individual outbreaks have been frequent since news of the Tampico complication reached the camp, where there are more than 6,000 prisoners who sought safety on American soil after they were defeated by the rebels at Olinaga, three months ago.

Battleships Pass Palm Beach. Palm Beach, Fla., April 18.-Four buttleships, two dispatch boats and a

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Children

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It's some problem to figure out just what the youngsters ought to eat at this season of the year. They should be taken off a meat diet, that is

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collier of the American Atlantic Fleet, tagonism to complying with the Amer passed here southward bound at 8.30 A. M. to-day, three hours later than The battleships are understood to have been delayed from some un-known cause at Jupiter, twenty-five alles above Palm Beach.

Inquiry Into Number of Troops. Nogales, Ariz., April 18.—The War Department of Washington is making a close inquiry into the number and the location of Mexican troops along the border, according to authoritative information received here to-day. The inquiry, it was said, was being conducted through American commanders along the international line.

Pacific Fleet Is Ready.

San Francisco, Cal., April 18.-The Pacific fleet is making ready for ac-Pacific fleet is making ready for a tion.

With 300 marines aboard, the cruiser South Dakota is steaming to the Mare Island yard from the Bremerton yard for further orders. There her complement of marines will be merged with 500 more, and the whole force will be transshipped to the coller Jupiter, which received orders to-day to sall for San Diego, where there is waiting a torpedo flottila.

Salls for Tampice.

Key West, Fla., April 18.—The United States hattleship South Carolina, having coaled and taken on provisions here to-day, sailed late this afternoon for Tampice. The South Carolina expects to join the North Atlantic fleet, now on route to Mexican waters, some time

Nature of Orders Will Await Action of President and Congress on Monday.

Congress on Monday.

Washington, April 18.—Following the utitimatum to Huerta an important conference was held between General Wood, chief of staff, Major-General Woterspoon, assistant chief of staff, and General Hugh Scott, who has just returned from the Rio Grande. The conference was attended from time to time by Secretary of War Garrison.

The object of the conference was to take etock of the material on hand in the army and how it could be increased.

One of the generals at the conference said afterward that as Mexico was not to make war upon the United States, but vice versa, there would be no rush orders sent to-day, but that on the confrary, the War Department should wait on the action of the President and Congress on Monday.

It is understood that at the war conference it was coincluded that if there should be combined resistance to the United States by Carranza, Villa and Huerta, an army of 200,000 men would be needed within the first six months of the war.

What is lacking are the horses and mules, which could be gotten in sufficient quantity in the United States.

There is no question that the plan of invasion of Mexico, if ordered by Congress, would be the launching of 200,000 of the army from a point on the Rio Grande direct to Monterey, and thence through Mexico City.

On account of the lack of water supply the war college has accided that no other route would be practicable. This was decided when Major-General Wetherspoon was head of the War College at which the plans were made.

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or the War College at which the plans were made.

The preliminary arrival of Federal troops on Mexican soil would be at Vera Cruz and Tampico. At both of these places the way would be cleared by the navy.

Instructions have gone to Admiral Fletcher to take care of refugees who are said to be arriving from Mexico City.

It is expected that he will utilize the Baperanxa for this purpose.

The reply of flueria to the ultimatum of the United States will be forwarded to President Wilson to-morrow at White Suiphur Springs immediately upon being received here.

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It is announced by the State Department that the "6 o'clock" in the President's dispatch means 6 o'clock P. M. Mexico time. That means 8 o'clock, Washington time. Orders issued to-day require Major-General Wood to take charge of the Department of the East on April 2, and that Major-General Wotherspoon, as announced, shall become chief of staff, with Brigadler-General Hugh S. Scott as assistant chief of staff, It is probable that both General Wood and General Scott will have high commands in the army if called Into action in Mexico.

Think Difficulty Is Cleared.

Vera Cruz, Mexico, April 18.—Mexicans in Vera Cruz have generally accepted a report that the difficulty between the United States and Mexico has been adjusted. According to reports current here, the United States fleet will not arrive at Tampico before Wednesday.

No Anti-American Demonstrations.

Mexico City, April 18.—The news of the coming of the United States fleet has caused no anti-American demonstrations in the capital. The controversy between the two governments has been the subject of spirited editorials in Mexico City papers, which apparently have aimed to arouse the patriotism of the people.

So far as can be learned President Huerta maintains his attitude of an-

Fire in Port Norfolk Plant. Norfolk, Va. April 18 -File at the Planters Manufacturing Company's plant at Port Norfolk to-day destroyed 53 000, crates and 50,600 barrels. The loss is estimated at \$27,000.



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